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loon Docks.

5.15 p.m. Right Section M.G. Co.
Musketry exercises at Headquarters.
5.15 p.m. Left Section M.G. Co.
Instruction on Kowloon Battery Range.

5.15 p.m. Berths of all units. Squad
drill and rifle exercise at Headquarters
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5.15 p.m. Stretcher Bearer Section.
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5.30 p.m. Centre Section M.G. Co.
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DETAIL.

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The Police Reserve Orchestra will play
at Government House at 7.15 p.m. to-day,
May 1st. The band practice ordered for
Tuesday, May 2nd, is cancelled.

PATROL EQUIPMENT.

Warning officers for Central District
are reminded of the order that they must
wear a Sergeant or P.C. to enter up the
Equipment Book at Central each night.

SUPERVISOR PARADES.

Uniform, Caps and Covers, 5.15 p.m.,
Tuesday, May 2nd. - Section 1 at C.
Section 2 at W.P.

Wednesday, May 3rd. - Sections 3 and
4 at C.

Thursday, May 4th. - Sections 7 and 8
at C. Sections 9 and 10 at C.

Friday, May 5th. - Sections 11 and 12
at C.

Company Commanders are ordered to
attend and supervise the parade of their
respective Sections.

Equipment Officers are similarly
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Section Parades until satisfied that they
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All ranks including Band, Ambulance
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vessel or the hour of the train by which
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£23,970,367

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THE DIARY.
MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.
10 a.m.—Auction of Coal Lighters, Steam Launch, Steam Cutter, Stores, etc., at H. M. Naval Yard, H.K., and Kowloon Depot.
2.45 p.m.—Sanitary Board Meeting.

General Memoranda.
WEDNESDAY, May 3:
Noon.—Entries close for Dog and Cat Show on 15th inst.
Noon.—Canton Insee. Cus. Meetings.
4.45 p.m.—Annual Meeting of the H.K. and New Territories Evangelical Society in Union Church Hall.

THURSDAY, May 4:
2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture at "Craigmart" East, No. 100, The Peak.

FRIDAY, May 5:
Noon.—China Traders Insee. Cus. Extraordinary Meeting.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

SATURDAY, May 6:
H. M. the King's Accession, 1916.
10 a.m.—Indo-China S. N. Cus. Meeting.

SUNDAY, May 7:
9 a.m.—Excursion to Macao by S.S. "Taishan".

TUESDAY, May 9:
H. M. the King's Proclamation Day.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture, Carpets, Pianos, etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

SATURDAY, May 13:
Dog and Cat Show at Grand Stand, Race Course, Happy Valley.

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HONGKONG, Monday, May 1, 1916.

GENERAL TOWNSEND'S SURRENDER.

THE surrender of the British force at Kut is most unwelcome but not unexpected news. The official announcement that an attempt made on April 24th to send supplies by ship to the beleaguered had failed was ominous and prepared us for the news we have to-day. For twenty weeks General TOWNSEND'S force has been held in what appears to be one of the most inhospitable spots of the earth's surface, and all efforts to relieve the force have failed. It will be remembered that after their hard-fought victory at Ctesiphon, only eighteen miles from the city of Baghdad, on the 22nd of November last, Major-General TOWNSEND'S weakened force was assailed by heavy Turkish columns from the north, estimated at not less than four divisions (a Turkish division consists of nine or ten battalions) and was obliged to give ground. After a trying march of over eighty miles, during the whole of which he was harassed by the Turkish troops and their auxiliaries, the Arabs, General TOWNSEND who, the critics say, has displayed excellent generalship throughout, succeeded in re-establishing his force at Kut-el-Amara from which the Turks had been ousted by Generals FRY and DALMEIDA in the action of the 29th September. In spite of his somewhat heavy losses (totalling some 4,500 of all ranks) no anxiety was at first felt for the safety of General TOWNSEND'S force. It was known that our troops had, in spite of their compulsory retirement, dealt far harder knocks than they had received, and the fact that they had been able to bring off their 1,600 prisoners in safety, was considered as evidence of their security. Kut-el-Amara was known to have been very strongly fortified by the Turks, and with the adaptability which, after over a year in dealing with field defences, came naturally to our men it was thought that their commander would have little difficulty in converting the results of his enemy's labours into an equally strong position facing north in lieu of south. Throughout December reports were from time to time circulated through Turkish sources as to the appearance of Turkish troops along the Tigris below Kut-el-Amara which gave a certain amount of uneasiness. It was, however, not until the news of General AYLMER'S engagement with the enemy at Sheikh Sand on the 8th of January became known that it was realized that the British advanced post had been cut off. Climatic conditions, which have been described as "bad even for a country owning so pestilential a climate as that which exists along the lower waters of the Tigris and the Euphrates," defeated all General AYLMER'S efforts to relieve the force at Kut. As far back as January a communication from Mesopotamia said: "The entire annual rainfall seems to have made up its mind to get its business done in a few days." The result was an unusual rise in the River Tigris entailing great difficulties in navigation. Nevertheless, General AYLMER'S force last January advanced in the

country, driving back the Turks through successive positions to within twenty-five miles of Kut. As usual, the Turks pursued their practice of making the stoutest of resistance for some time, only to retire for some unaccountable reason by night or when they were threatened in flank. They were reported to have had heavy losses, including a somewhat well known General who achieved a considerable reputation as a divisional commander in the 1912 war. By the beginning of March General AYLMER was reported to have reached a position about seven miles East of Kut, but in consequence of a lack of water he was obliged to fall back on the river—a distance of about seven or eight miles—after having evacuated his wounded. A month ago we learnt that Major-General AYLMER had been succeeded in the command of the Tigris Corps by Lieut-General GORRINGE and on April 6th, the War Office announced that five lines of Turkish trenches had been carried at Umelhanah by Lieut-General GORRINGE, and later in co-operation with General KEARNEY he carried the Turkish positions at Falaahiyah. Then preparations were made for an attack on Samarra, a strong Turkish position some 4,000 yards further on. The first attack was made on April 9th but it failed to get through the enemy's line. The operations were much hampered by floods which were reported to be extending. A more hopeful announcement was made a few days later, but on April 23rd it was officially announced that the Commander of the Army in Mesopotamia telegraphs that the attack on the Samarra position on the Tigris on the morning of April 23rd failed, owing to the floods limiting the attacking front to one brigade, which penetrated the enemy's first and second lines, through a bog, but the brigade was unable to hold the ground, as the supports were unable to cross the marshes under machine-gun fire. The troops on the right bank were also unable to make much progress. And finally we had the announcement that an attempt to send supplies to the garrison by ship failed. What hardships the troops isolated in that unpleasant region must have suffered we shall probably not know for some time, but we can confidently count upon a story of heroism and resource which will stand out as one of the finest episodes in the history of the war.

We do not suppose that the surrender of General TOWNSEND'S army means the failure of the entire plan. It has been affirmed that if we want to secure our communications with India, Baghdad is as necessary to us as Cairo, and this is why we are trying to get there. If we could trust Germany there would be no possible objection to her carrying a railway through Asia Minor to the head of the Persian Gulf, but now that we have found her out we know that commercial expansion with her is only a means of obtaining world power, or, in other words, to rob her neighbours by force of their possessions. If the Germans get through to the head of the Gulf they will establish themselves on the flank of our route to India, and be a standing menace to our Asiatic dominions. This is no Jingo assertion, but the literal truth and this plan of hers must be defeated. Russian troops are now almost within sight of Baghdad, and we believe that the Teuton-Turkish success at Kut will prove very soon to be but a Pyrrhic victory. The military position in Mesopotamia is such now that the Commander of the Turkish army will find the retention of so many prisoners a severe handicap.

Mr. Montague Beart, of Butterfield and Swire, who has just left the Far East for good after 30 years residence, will carry with him, says a Northern contemporary, the warm wishes of many friends in China and Japan. From 1898 to 1908 Mr. Beart lived in Yokohama and was first President of the British Association of Japan and Vice-Chairman for two years, of the Yokohama Foreign Board of Trade. Since 1909 he has lived in Cebu, with the welfare of which the closely identified himself, serving at different times, as Chairman of the General Chamber of Commerce, and of the International Committee, and participating actively in the movement for the harbor improvement and for railway facilities.

Before the distribution of the ginkham prizes at Shanghai last week Capt. Crichton stated that the Light Horse had spent no money on prizes this season as they were giving all their spare funds to war funds. £50 were given last year, he said, and he hoped they would be able to contribute another £50 this year.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A marble memorial stone has been placed over each British Soldier's grave at Tsingtao and the whole ground has been enclosed with marble pillars and an iron chain.

A Wuchang correspondent writing to a northern contemporary says:—The Canton-Wuchang railway is now working in a measure and we expect regular trains practically to the limits of the province next month.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Hongkong Church Missionary Association begs to acknowledge with thanks the sum of \$26.86 per Miss Iris May, being collections from missionary boxes at the Cathedral and Peak Sunday schools and from other boxes.

It is notified that Messrs. Brewer and Co., have removed their store from Fiddler Street to the premises lately occupied by Messrs. Donnelly and Whyte in Des Voeux Road. It is also notified that Mr. Otto Kong Sing has removed his office to No. 10, Des Voeux Road Central.

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The Indo-China S.S. *Leoning* which has been running on the Shanghai-Wanghai-Chefoo-Tientsin line is reported to have been sold to a southern buyer for a sum in the neighbourhood of \$250,000. She is to be delivered at Hongkong, probably about May 1. The *Leoning* is a vessel of 1650 tons net, and was built in 1890 at Glasgow by the London and Glasgow Shipbuilding Co., Ltd. She is 250 ft. long, her breadth is 36.1, and the depth is 21.5.

The foreigners on the ill-fated China Merchants steamer which was sunk by a Chinese cruiser numbered six—the captain, chief and second officers, chief engineer, and second and third engineers—Capt. L. H. Richards was in command; Mr. C. Smith was chief officer; Mr. W. H. Nelson second officer; Mr. Geo. Brown, chief engineer; Mr. Wm. McIntyre, second engineer; and the only foreigner reported to be picked up is Mr. F. Moore, who was her third engineer.

According to one of the latest Shanghai papers to hand, the threatened strike of officers on steamers engaged in the China Coast trade will begin forthwith if the application for an increase of pay made on their behalf by their Guild is not granted by 5 o'clock to-day. This means that more than 150 steamers belonging to the China Navigation Company, the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company and the China Merchants Steam Navigation Company, will be idle while the issue is being fought out.

THE MARRIAGE OF MISS STELLA MAY.

Miss Stella May, daughter of His Excellency the Governor and Lady May, was married on March 26th at the Brompton Oratory to Captain Philip de Fontblanc, the ceremony taking place at forty-eight hours' notice as the bridegroom (who is, in the Royal Engineers) was able to get short leave from the front.

The bride was given away by her uncle, Colonel Acton, and Lady May's sister, Mrs. Dalton, had charge of all the wedding details. White satin regence was chosen for the bride's dress, the front being draped with cascades of lace. A beautiful train of old applique lace, the gift of the bridegroom's mother, hung from the shoulders, and clusters of white heather and orange-blossoms fastened the little veil.

Miss Marjorie Berkeley acted as bridesmaid, wearing pale blue tulle and chiffon, with spots of blue feathers. The best man was Captain Kerr, Royal Flying Corps, and the marriage services were taken by Father James Christy.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

BAD INFLUENCES IN GAOL.

THE FRAUD ON THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK.

MONEY NOT TRACED.

How a youth of 21 years came under the bad influence of a man while in gaol who probably concocted a scheme to defraud the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, was told by Mr. G. N. Orme, the Crown Prosecutor, who appeared on behalf of the Crown to-day in the Chief Justice's Court, to support a charge of conspiracy, to defraud and uttering forged cheques.

The prisoner was Joseph William Pomeroy, alias William Chung, alias Chung Wai Lim, and he was indicted on a charge together with Rodrigue A. V. Ribeiro and Li Sam, of conspiring to obtain by false pretences from the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank \$8,000 and also with uttering cheques for that amount. The sum was made up of two cheques—one for \$4,524.75 and the other for \$3,475.25, each purporting to bear the signature of the Hon. Mr. David Landale.

Prisoner pleaded guilty to conspiring to defraud and not guilty to uttering a forged cheque. Mr. Orme said with regard to the second charge that prisoner was charged in his capacity of aiding and abetting. Section 49 of the Forgery Ordinance stated that an accessory before the fact was liable to as great a punishment as the principal. In his statement in the Court below prisoner admitted his share in that degree.

The Chief Justice explained to the prisoner that the case which the prosecution put forward was that he was an accessory to the uttering of the cheques. Prisoner said that he was not the Crown meant by the second charge he would plead guilty to both.

Mr. Orme, in an interesting statement, said the events which led up to the offence, so far as they could be traced, commenced in the latter part of February last. It was known that during the last days of February the prisoner approached a certain money changer in the town with whom he had been associated while in the office of Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth, and Fleming, and suggested to him some business which he indicated to be on a large scale. He asked the money changer to "come in" with him and a third party who was identified as being Ribeiro—who was the principal in the offence of forgery.

The money changer met the parties but owing to subsequent information he did not go on with the business. On the last day of February prisoner met a printer (who came to his office in the course of business to get orders for printing) and the prisoner asked him if he would care to "come in" and do some business, and receiving a favourable reply he asked the printer to meet him on March 2nd outside the City Hall. The men met and there was also there Ribeiro. They all went upon the town and had some refreshments and there discussed the question of appointing a Chinese as their shroff in the "business" the nature of which had not been disclosed. They agreed to meet two days later, on March 4th, at the same place, and there the printer arranged with the Portuguese and the prisoner to receive a salary of \$40 a month. The third party, the Chinese printer, was requested by Ribeiro and the prisoner to go to a gold-leaf shop and enquire the price of 150 taels of gold leaf. Ribeiro said he was a friend of Mr. Landale's, who wanted to do a deal in gold-leaf. The man went to enquire the price of 150 taels of gold leaf and was told it would be about \$8,000.

This was all a blind, went on Mr. Orme, "towards the subsequent cashing of cheques for \$8,000." On March 4th the printer told Ribeiro the price and in accordance with instructions received from the gold leaf merchant, said the latter would not accept a cheque, but must have notes.

The Chief Justice asked the attitude of the Crown in regard to the third party. Mr. Orme answered they believed him to be an entirely innocent party.

It happened that on the 4th, proceeded Mr. Orme, Ribeiro obtained a pass for Macao—the same day as when he was informed the merchant would not accept a cheque for the gold leaf and it was therefore necessary to get the money. On Monday, March 6th, the three persons met outside the City Hall again and prisoners and Ribeiro went into the convenience at the back of the City Hall and after some conversation they called the Chinaman in and Ribeiro pulled out of his pocket two cheques and gave them to the third party and told him to get the money. Prisoner told Li Sam to come and find him at 32 or 35 Des Voeux Road Central. Those were empty houses which were in charge of Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth, and Fleming and prisoner would therefore have a ready access to the keys of those houses.

On Monday Li Sam went to the Bank and handed the two cheques over the counter. Each bore the signature of "David Landale" and were payable to bearer "Lung Fiu Wo." Li Sam got the money, but owing to the delay he did not get the money till 2 o'clock—Ribeiro would not wait any longer and caught the 2 o'clock steamer to Macao.

Li Sam went to the houses as directed but failed to see the prisoner but on walking down the road he met the prisoner. They went together to a house in Gage Street where Li Sam handed over the money which the prisoner counted and said was all right. He then handed the Chinese, \$600 on account.

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account—\$40 for his month's salary and \$20 with which to pay his expenses to visit Ribeiro in Macao. The prisoner received the whole of the money minus \$80. As to what became of the money all trace was lost. One witness had said that prisoner went into a shop where he knew the master and handed him a watch and chain to keep for him. No doubt something had happened and prisoner wanted to leave the envelope containing the watch and chain and the money there, and he said he would be back in half an hour. After a short while the prisoner's brother went into the shop and asked for the envelope but the shop-keeper would not give it him and looked in the envelope and saw a number of \$500 bills. The shopkeeper went in search of the prisoner and handed him the envelope.

That is the last we can trace of the money," continued Mr. Orme. Li Sam went to Macao and saw Ribeiro and then came back with a note for the prisoner. The Chinaman went up to the prisoner's house, but failed to find him there and went a second time and there met another member of the firm who had been detailed off to watch for the prisoner. The Police made enquiries and a week later ascertained that prisoner had occupied a house in Pokfulam Road. There were evidences that it had been newly furnished and a drawer in a desk contained papers connecting the house with the prisoner. Prisoner had furnished the house for some domestic purpose and had hastily left, just before the Police arrived in fact. No doubt, said Mr. Orme, part of the money was spent on that furniture but the rest of the money had been taken away by some other person. Ribeiro, the principal, was being tried in Macao for that offence.

Dealing with the history of the prisoner, Mr. Orme said he was a very young man, only 21 years, as far as they could ascertain. His father was a Chinese doctor who for sometime visited the Tung Wah Hospital. His father died about four years ago and since then the prisoner had lived with his mother and grandmother. He had two younger brothers one of whom was in business and the other still attended school. Two years ago, on October 14, Mr. Orme regretted to say, the prisoner was charged and convicted for having conspired to defraud the Bank by cashing a cheque for \$85 which was stolen from the Sisters Quarters at the Hospital. He was sentenced to three months. He was at that time employed in the same firm.

After his arrest apparently he met Ribeiro, who was also serving a sentence in gaol. "It seems almost certain that he must have come under the bad influence of Ribeiro and thus possibly they discussed future projects," said Mr. Orme. "When he came out of gaol he was taken back in the firm again and he appeared to have made the acquaintance of friends of Ribeiro and I have no doubt he thus kept in touch with him, while the present scheme was concocted. Prisoner's salary was \$85 a month."

Mr. Orme said there was no doubt prisoner unfortunately fell under the bad influences of Ribeiro and no doubt there must have been some want of control in the home over his work and character. The crime was a dangerous and serious one.

The Chief Justice, in passing a sentence of 18 months imprisonment—which he said was very lenient in the circumstances—said it was deplorable to see a young man of his age in trouble of that kind and apparently he had made up his mind to lead a life of crime. It was extremely difficult for the Court to know what to do with a young man starting in life. It was a very serious offence in which the Bank had been robbed of \$8,000 and so far as he (the Chief Justice) knew, he had made no attempt to refund any of the money. The Chief Justice said he would deal with him in the same way as if he had only pleaded guilty on the first charge. On the second charge he was liable to imprisonment for life. The Crown had pointed out the circumstances of his career and the fact that in all probability he got into bad company when he was last in prison.

WHAT WOMEN ARE DOING IN GREAT BRITAIN.

"Every month brings into the labour market an additional supply of 17,000 women," a British Government official stated recently.

"During the eighteen months ended January 14, 1916, the Labour Exchanges have placed in employment 617,000 women and girls. As compared with the eighteen months preceding the war, these placements have increased by 47 per cent."

Among trades in which women are working are the following:—

Hosiery, Bread and Biscuit, Tobacco, Electrical engineering, Small arms, Cotton, Cloth, Glove, Umbrella, Confectionery, Warehouse, Gas and electricity.

The electrical engineering and small arms trades are among those in which the increase of women is most noticeable.

The Consul-General for the Netherlands informs us that the Netherlands Indian Government has declared Hongkong an infected port on account of plague.

CROUP.

THIS disease is so dangerous and so rapid in its development that every mother of young children should be prepared for it. It is very risky to wait until the attack of croup appears and then send for medicine and let the child suffer until it can be obtained. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is prompt and effective and has never been known to fail in any case. Always have a bottle in the home. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

SPORTING.

TENNIS PRIZES AWARDED.

RESULT OF THE HONGKONG C.C. TOURNAMENT.

The Hongkong C.C. completed its tournament on Saturday with a tennis match against the Ladies' Recreation Club after which the prizes were distributed. The Ladies Club won on the afternoon's play by 33 games to 43, the details being as under:—

FIRST ROUND.
S. H. Dodwell (L. R. C.) beat Lieut. Colonel Crisp and Mrs. Laws (H.K.C.C.) 10-1.
H. A. Nisbet and Mrs. Nisbet (L.R.C.) beat Rev. C. L. Cooper-Hunt and Mrs. Whitmarsh (H.K.C.C.) 7-4.
H. Hancock and Mrs. Moxon (H.K.C.C.) beat H. R. Phelps and Mrs. Armstrong (L.R.C.) 6-3.

SECOND ROUND.
H. A. Nisbet and Mrs. Nisbet beat H. Hancock and Mrs. Moxon 6-3.
H. R. Phelps and Mrs. Armstrong beat Lieut. Colonel Crisp and Mrs. Laws 7-4.
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DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES.

Mr. F. Maitland (President of the Hongkong C.C.) presided at the distribution of the tournament prizes. Commenting on the play that afternoon he said that they had seen some very fine sets. Six of the best ladies and six of the best male players in the Colony had been playing, and it had reminded him somewhat of a small Wimbledon. The very successful tournament which had just been brought to a close had been got through in record time, thanks to the weather and to the energetic Hon. Secretary (Mr. P. M. Hodgson). It was also a record, he believed, in point of attendance. The great feature, he thought, had been the Mixed Doubles, which competition was in its third year. It had caused a great deal of excitement, and he had observed that these matches drew the larger crowd. Another feature had been the wonderful form shown by Mr. Ng Sze Kwong, who had succeeded in lowering the colours of two of the old champions, Mr. Harry Hancock and Mr. H. Nisbet. He found his match in Mr. Green, however, the champion of last year, a steady, strong player. He was sure that they congratulated them both on their achievements. Mr. Green started a few years ago by winning the Handicap Singles "B" Class, and he had gradually gone up the scale to become the champion. He tendered thanks to the Committee and the gentlemen who had done so much umpiring, and especially to the worthy Hon. Secretary (applause), who had had a tremendous amount of work, and had kept everyone up to the mark. It was at his suggestion that the match was "erected, and it had been a success in every way. It had enabled spectators to watch the games in comfort. He understood that no fewer than 2,000 people had been seated at the various matches—and they were thereby enabled to give to the War Charities fund a sum amounting to between \$400 and \$500. (Applause.)

Miss Gordon subsequently presented the prizes to the successful players.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd. announce in their advertising columns that they have authorized Mr. D. G. M. Bernard and Mr. B. D. I. Beith to sign their firm procreation.

The United Service Gazette of March 16th has Colonel Sir Frederick Lugard, G.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O., as its Portrait Gallery figure, and gives an interesting sketch of his career: Sir Frederick's tenure of the Governorship of Hongkong covered in two lines.

Another old Shanghai resident passed away last week in the person of Mr. Robert Henry Gore-Booth who came out to the Settlement in the early sixties. Deceased was 78 years of age, and death was not unexpected. Mr. Gore-Booth, took an active share in volunteering matters in his younger days and took a prominent part in the Taiping Rebellion. Latterly deceased worked as a land and estate agent, and was one of the first in Shanghai to realise the importance of rubber.

With reference to the report which appeared in Saturday's *China Mail* that Lance-Corpl. Millington (who has been a warder at the Victoria Gaol, and subsequently a Sanitary Inspector) had been awarded the Military Cross, we learn from a correspondent that the statement was incorrect. A nickname was given in the letter which reported the news to Hongkong and it is a slight variation of one by which Millington was known among his friends. Our correspondent informs us that the nickname given in the letter is that of Lieut. Gompertz, late of the Chinese Customs Staff, who went home from Hongkong with the first batch of Volunteers.

A GOOD RULE FOR THE HOME.

MAKE it a rule of your home to always keep on hand a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and Diarrhoea Remedy as a safeguard against bowel complaints. It is always sure promptly and without delay to relieve the trouble. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

THE WAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

GENERAL TOWNSHEND COMPELLED TO SURRENDER.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

MESOPOTAMIA.

BELEAGUERED BRITISH FORCE SURRENDERS.

SUPPLIES EXHAUSTED.

London, April 29.
5.40 p.m.

It is officially announced that General Townshend's force at Kut has surrendered after a resistance of 143 days of ever memorable gallantry and fortitude.

General Townshend was compelled to surrender owing to the exhaustion of his supplies.

Before surrendering he destroyed his guns and munitions.

This force consists of 2,970 British and 6,000 Indian troops and followers.

VERDUN.

ISOLATED ATTACKS RESUMED AT VERDUN.

Paris, April 29.

To-day's communiqué says: The French by a coup de main in Argonne captured a trench and numbers of prisoners.

Isolated attacks were resumed at Verdun.

The Germans made futile attempts to débouch against Hill 304.

Our batteries blew up an ammunition depot.

The enemy made violent artillery preparation east of the Meuse and attacked under cover of an intense curtain of fire westward of Thionville, using liquid fire. We swept them with artillery and machine-gun fire and defeated them with heavy losses. Another attack between Douaumont and Vaux was easily repulsed.

Paris, April 30.

Last night's communiqué says: The day was marked by artillery actions, particularly in Belgium and Argonne.

The enemy in the Verdun region bombarded our positions at Avocourt, Wood, Hill 304, south of the Haubertmont region, and the foot of the Meuse heights.

Our artillery everywhere countered enemy batteries.

"HOIST BY THEIR OWN PETARD."

ENEMY OVERWHELMED BY THEIR OWN GAS.

London, April 30.

General Sir Douglas Haig, in a communiqué, says:—

The enemy's artillery was active to-day.

We raided the German front trenches at Loos last night, causing several casualties.

The enemy early to-day, after a heavy bombardment, under cover of gas made two small attacks opposite Hulluch, which were repulsed. The gas broke back to the enemy trenches, and the Germans were seen running back through our curtain of fire on a front of 700 yards. Judging by the number of ambulances, the enemy lost considerably from our artillery and their gas. The ground at the enemy's rear was coloured by gas on a front of a thousand yards and to a depth of 3,000 yards.

There was much successful air work during the fine weather yesterday, but there was marked decrease in enemy machines. There were only four fights and two German aeroplanes were killed today.

LATEST NEWS FROM DUBLIN.

REPORT BY VISCOUNT FRENCH.

REPORTED SURRENDER OF REBEL LEADER.

London, April 30.

Viscount French in a report timed 11.30 on Saturday says:—

The situation in Dublin this morning is considerably improved, but the rebels are still seriously resisting in the neighbourhood of Sackville Street.

The troops encircling the quarter however, are steadily closing in, but house-to-house fighting is rendering progress slow.

The Post Office and a block of buildings east of Sackville Street have been destroyed by fire.

A party of rebels has been driven out of Boland's Mill and is ringed by guns mounted on motor-cars.

The rebel leader, Pearse, is reported to have been wounded.

Subsequently it was reported that Pearse had surrendered unconditionally, asserting that he was authorised to accept the same terms as his followers in Dublin.

Another leader, James Connolly, is reported to have been killed.

The Four Courts district still held by the rebels is also being surrounded by a cordon of troops who are gradually closing in on them.

All information points to the rebellion in Dublin being on the verge of collapse. A considerable number of rebels are prisoners in Military custody.

Reports this evening from the rest of Ireland are generally satisfactory. Conditions in Belfast and Ulster are normal. Londonderry is quite satisfactory and the district within fifteen miles of Galway is normal; but a band of rebels is located between Athenry and Craughwell. Nineteen rebels have been captured and sent to Queenstown.

Another band is reported entrenched at Enniscorthy, but the Police are still holding out and roads and railways are clear to within four miles of the town.

Damage has been done to Barrow Bridge, Dublin, of the South-eastern Railway, but it is not serious.

END APPROACHING.

London, April 30.

In Dublin last night there was every indication of the end of the trouble approaching. Troops were continually arriving and there was intermittent fighting to the disadvantage of the rebels.

There was still some shelling in the centre of the City which is the Sinn Féin stronghold.

A few burning buildings are smouldering.

IMPORTANT STATEMENT BY MR. REDMOND.

London, April 29, 5.40 p.m.

Mr. Redmond, in a most important statement, says he has placed himself absolutely at the disposal of the authorities with whom he is in constant touch, and has instructed the Nationalist Volunteers throughout Ireland to hold themselves at the disposal of the military authorities. The Volunteers had already of their own accord mobilized to support the troops.

A CABINET COUNCIL.

London, April 29.

The Cabinet held a meeting lasting two hours. There was a full attendance. There is no alteration in the political situation.

NEWS FROM RUSSIAN FRONTS.

GERMAN ATTACKS IN MASSED FORMATIONS.

TURNS REPULSED AT ERZINJAN.

Petrograd, April 29.

A communiqué reports German artillery activity at Divinsk and in the region further south, followed by infantry attacks in massed formations. All these were abortive except one of small dimensions which recaptured German trenches which they had previously lost.

The Russians at Erzincan, after repulsing Turkish attacks, drove back the enemy westwards.

THE HERO OF VERDUN HONOURED.

Paris, April 29.

The French success in the battle of Verdun has been marked by the promotion of General Pettin to be a Grand Officer of the Legion of Honour, with the War Cross.

THE CONSCRIPTION QUESTION.

London, April 29.

There is much speculation regarding the Government and the recruiting situation.

There seems to be a disposition to believe that the alternatives before the Cabinet are to bring in a Bill immediately conscripting all men between 18 and 41, or to defer such a Bill until they see how the new voluntary effort succeeds.

Although it is recognised that both courses are beset by difficulties, the opinion is generally expressed that the former is the easier of the two.

The Westminster Gazette admits that it is unfair and unjust to conscript men of 18 and the time-expired men without taking steps to bring in the untested married men.

GERMAN ATTACK ON AMERICAN AMBASSADOR.

Copenhagen, April 30.

The *København Nyhedsbrevet*, the organ of Prince Henry of Prussia and the extreme nationalists, makes a most violent attack upon the American Ambassador at Berlin.

The newspaper declares that the ambassador favours war with Germany because he represents a powerful group of multi-millionaires.

The same story is published broadcast in the provincial German Press.

ARMY PROMOTIONS.

London, April 30.

The Gazette announces that Major-General Dobell has been awarded the K.C.B.

Major G. M. Orr, 14th Lancers, has been appointed Assistant Adjutant-General with the rank of temporary Lieutenant-Colonel. Captain J. S. Marshall, 35th Sikhs, and Captain G. E. Mount, 63rd Infantry, have been appointed Deputy Assistant Adjutant-Generals. Captain B. C. Fellows, Indian Army, retired, has been appointed to the General Staff.

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LLOYD'S AND AMERICAN SHIPPING.

At a moment when their own mercantile marine is detained in home ports or interned in foreign, it will especially annoy the Germans to know (says a London correspondent) that, as a result of the enormous expansion of its work in the United States, the committee of Lloyd's Register for the survey of shipping has decided to open a branch establishment at New York. In this way its surveyors at the different ports will be kept in closer touch with developments.

The fact that most of the vessels at present in hand on the other side of the Atlantic are being built to Lloyd's classification has more than once excited unfavourable comment in America, especially as the only national organisation of the kind is not patronised very extensively. At various times, efforts have been made to develop its activities, but the measures designed for the purpose have never got beyond the Committee stage in Congress. Both the Japanese and the Brazilian Governments have now under consideration the advisability of establishing societies on the lines of the British organisation, whose rules are recognised as the most perfect of their kind.

There's not a young man left in Johannesburg and that is more than London can say, said Mr. John Joppe, of Cape Town, in describing the war spirit of South Africa. He is Honorary Consul-General for Japan for British South Africa.

FOR A LAME BACK.

WHEN you have pain or lameness in the back, the parts with Chamberlain's Pain Balm, twice a day, massaging with the palm of the hand for five minutes at each application. Then dampen a piece of flannel slightly with this balm and bind it to the affected part. For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

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HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

DISTRIBUTION OF PROFITS.

At the annual meeting to be held on 20th inst., the directors will recommend the following distribution of profits:—

Dividend (22.25 per share)	\$135,000.00
Write off Plant	175,000.00
Write off New Property	25,000.00
Write off Old Property	10,000.00
Write off Furniture	241.35
Place to Reserve	100,000.00
Bonus to Staff	8,686.71
Carry forward	110,558.42
	\$364,486.56

As will be announced by advertisement to-morrow, the cost of current for lighting purposes is reduced from 24 cents per unit to 20 cents per unit as from 1st May.

TERRIFIC FIRE AT NANTAO.

HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF TAELS DAMAGE.

One of the largest river front fires that has occurred in Shanghai, says the *N. C. Daily News* of the 23rd ult., broke out in the early hours of yesterday morning at the Ningbo and Ningbo Wharf, and it was still burning after it had been blazing more than twelve hours. It is impossible even approximately to estimate the damage, but it is safe to say that the loss will run into hundreds of thousands of taels.

The scene of the fire is on the Chinese Bund (Nantao) immediately above the China Merchants' wharves. The fire was confined to the godowns and wharves of the Ningbo and Ningbo Company, Godowns 3 and 4 were completely destroyed with all their contents and yesterday afternoon they were a mass of ruins with tottering walls, with long tongues of flame leaping upward. The godowns were packed with general merchandise to their fullest capacity, and there was also a large amount of goods stored in the open on the wharves and pontoons, which together with the connecting bridges were badly burned.

The fire was first discovered at about two o'clock yesterday morning by a watchman in No. 4 Godown. It had doubtless been smouldering many hours, perhaps even since Saturday, it having originated it is said, in some cases of lotus seed. Shortly after the discovery a number of large cases of fireworks were caught, and soon after that the whole godown was a furnace. The godowns were stored with cotton, bean oil, vegetable tallow, egg yolk, and in fact almost every kind of merchandise commonly found in local water front warehouses. Melted tallow, inches deep, flooded The Bund.

Inspector Mellows of the River Police was early on the scene and his launch rendered invaluable assistance, among other things assisting in towing off three steamers that were tied alongside opposite the burning godown. One of these boats, the Chang On, of the Hoong On Company, was badly scorched before she could be got clear of the wharf. The River Police launch was at work all day pumping streams of water into the burning buildings, as was the Brigade float.

BLAZING TALLOW ON RIVER.

The fire was first reported from the central bell tower at 2.50 o'clock and Chief Officer Pett immediately went to Nantao, where he found that the large godown of the Hoong On Company, the one nearest the French Concession, was in flames on the south end, and that a quantity of wood and other material on the wharves was also ablaze. At that time the Chinese brigade were at work, as were the wharf coolies, the former working from the roadway, but the fire was making such rapid strides that it was fast gaining on the wharf side, as the feeble jets used by the Chinese were having little effect.

Three steamers were then alongside, the Hsingming-shao, Vanzin and Chang On. These ships were in very grave danger not only from the fire on the wharf but from the blazing molten tallow that was flowing from the godown and under the wharves. This flaming mass floated on the water and on the bund several inches deep. The steamers had great difficulty in getting away, and would doubtless have been more seriously damaged had it not been for the assistance of the police and other launches.

As there was every evidence that the fire was to be a big one, the assistance of the S. F. B. was asked, and their fire floats and the Huning, the Customs float, were soon at work; the S. F. B. float being the first to arrive. It was manned by the Deluge Company and later by the Hongkew Company. The Customs float devoted their attention to the far side, where the cotton godown of Messrs. Tata, Sons and Co. was in danger. The flames were checked by five o'clock and the men from the two companies were withdrawn at noon, but the float and its crew were still at work last night.

Some 600 or 700 barrels of wood and bean oil stored on the wharves were saved. That godown Nos. 1 and No. 2 were not burned was due to the valiant work of the firemen and the assistance from the floats.

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RUBBER FROM WEEDS.

The latest triumph of German science (says the *Express*) is the extraction of rubber from garden weeds. The *"Cologner Gazette"* is responsible for the announcement:—

Thirty years ago (says the journal) Kasper conducted some interesting experiments with our goose-thistle, a common weed which is easily planted, and the productiveness of which can be easily improved by cultivation. The yield in pure rubber amounts only to 0.15 per cent. It is true, but the quality of its latex or milky fluid is surprisingly high. Fresh researches made by (Kasper and Linschauer have, moreover, brought to light the *"lactuca viminalis"*, a stately, long-stemmed weed that grows wild with along the Danube and the Elbe. In the second year of its life this weed puts forth numerous milk canes. On making an incision in these a sap which at first is yellow and later becomes brown, exudes very freely, and when exposed to the air thickens into a remarkably tough texture. Its yield in pure rubber is equivalent to 0.45 per cent of its dry weight.

ENGLISH IN GERMAN.

A writer in the *London Daily News* says:—

I understand there is a union of patriots pledged that for the future no word of hostile origin or association (as the Home Secretary would put it) shall be allowed to soil their lips. The principle may be right, if so, no doubt it is merely reprehensible luxury on the part of the enemy that permits a Berlin paper to devote a whole page to an advertisement of "Kovercoat." Kovercoat, it should be explained, is the name of a material, for "Kovercoat Skirts" is perfectly normal terminology. The Germans have for a long time been fond of using old English words in new meanings. For years "Velvet" in Berlin meant velvet, and they still sell biscuits and call them "Cakes." A Teutonic spelling, and advertised his English "Keks," which brevity, or a desire to disguise as far as possible the ancestry of the term, has converted into the phonetic "Kex" or "Cex." Inconspicuously enough, the editors of Berlin X-ray and Cologne submarine tirelessly against England in onslaughts illuminated by such terms as "Humburg," "Bluff," "Boycottieren," and "Boykot-trung," while "tip" in the sense of good advice is admitted to much more dignified company in Germany than in the land of its birth.

CLOSING SHARE QUOTATIONS.

Banks	\$732 1/2
Douglases	133 1/2
Indos	118 1/2
Docks	123 1/2
Wharves	78 1/2

To-day's Advertisements

NOTICE.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

MEETING TO DISCUSS REPORT AND ACCOUNTS.

WE, the undersigned shareholders, consider, that the Report and Accounts of the above Company require early discussion, in order that concerted action may be taken by shareholders, with reference to certain matters in the Accounts, including the diminishing of the Fund by the appropriation of \$40,000 for corporation repairs and renewals, and also with regard to the closing of the Company's books at such short notice.

A MEETING will be held accordingly at the City Hall on WEDNESDAY the 3rd May at 4 p.m. when the attendance of all shareholders, registered and unregistered, who are dissatisfied with the report or accounts or the closing of the register at short notice are earnestly requested to attend.

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A. M. L. SOARES.
Hongkong 1st May 1916.

NOTICE.

WE have authorized Mr. DALLAS GERALD MERRICK BERNARD and

Mr. BENJAMIN DAVID FLEMING BEITH to sign our Firm per procuration from this date.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, May 1, 1916.

NOTICE.

WE have This Day REMOVED OUR STORE from Pedder Street to Des Voeux Road Central (Hongkong Hotel Buildings), the premises lately occupied by Messrs. DONNELLY & WATTS.

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Hongkong, May 1, 1916.

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Via SHANGHAI, MANILA, KEELUNG, NAGASAKI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and YOKOHAMA.

* "CHICAGO MARU" Monday, 8th May, at 3 p.m.

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BOMBAY LINE. FOR BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE, PORT SWETENHAM, PENANG AND COLOMBO.

"INDO MARU" Capt. Y. Souchkawa, Tuesday, 2nd May, at 7 a.m.

FORMOSAN LINE. FOR TAMSUI, KEELUNG AND ANPING, TAKAO, VIA SWATOW, AMOY.

"AMAKUSA MARU" Sunday, 7th May, at Noon.

"SOSHI MARU" Wednesday, 10th May, at 9 a.m.

† Proceeding to Tamsui and Keelung.

‡ Proceeding to Anping and Takao.

These Formosan Lines will arrive at and depart from the SOON YIP WHARF near the Harbour Office.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, APPLY TO—

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ST. ALBANS	8th May	2nd June, at 11 a.m.
EMPIRE	10th June	1st July, at 11 a.m.
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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	KANCHOW	May 2, at Noon.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	TAMING	May 2, at 4 p.m.
SEANGHAI	SINKING	May 4, at 4 p.m.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	CHINTA	May 9, at 4 p.m.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	WOSANG	WED. DAY, May 3, Daylight.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	ONSANG	WED. DAY, May 3, at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	HNSANG	FRIDAY, May 5, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	KWONGSANG	FRIDAY, May 5, Daylight.
TIENSIN via WEIHAIWEI	CHIPSANG	FRIDAY, May 5, Daylight.
HOLHOW & HAIPHONG	LOKSANG	SATURDAY, May 6, at 8 a.m.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	SATURDAY, May 6, at 3 p.m.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	KATSHING	TUESDAY, May 9, at 3 p.m.
MOJI & KOBE	KUMSANG	WED. DAY, May 10, Daylight.
MANILA	YUENSANG	SATURDAY, May 13, at 3 p.m.

RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN.

THE steamers "Kuching", "Nanning", "Loisang" & "Fooking" leave about every 3 weeks generally call at Shanghai en route for Japan returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong. Time occupied 23 days. This service is supplemented by the "Yoshing", "Kumang" leaving Hongkong at regular intervals for Yokohama (when sufficient inducement is offered) Kobe & Moji and returning thence direct to Hongkong. Time occupied 19 days.

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SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE

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FOR	STEAMERS	DATE OF DEPARTURE
GENOA & LONDON	MERIONETHSHIRE	12th May.

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STEAMSHIP	CAPTAIN	LEAVING
HAITAN	Capt. J. S. Thomson	TUESDAY, 2nd May at 2 P.M.
HAIHONG	Capt. J. W. Evans	TUESDAY, 9th May at 2 P.M.

SWATOW.

HAIHONG Capt. J. W. Evans THURSDAY, 4th May at 2 P.M.

Arrivals and Departures from the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier).

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SAN FRANCISCO LINE.

via SHANGHAI, MANILA, the INLAND SEA, JAPAN & HONOLULU.

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Steamer	Tons & Speed	Leave Hongkong
CHIYO MARU	22,000-21 knots	Postponed, Indefinitely.
TENYO MARU	22,000-21 knots	Sat. 6th May at Noon.
SEIYO MARU	14,000-14 knots	Thurs. 11th May at Noon.
NIIPPON MARU	11,000-15 knots	Tues. 16th May at 10.30 a.m.
SHIYO MARU	22,000-21 knots	Wed. 31st May at Noon.
DAIREN MARU	8,000-14 knots	
FERSIA MARU	8,000-15 knots	

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First Class to London £27-10. Return (6 months) £150.

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Steamer	Tons & Speed	Sailing
SEIYO MARU	14,000-14 knots	Thursday, 11th May at Noon.

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Telephone 251.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATION	STEAMERS	SAILING DATES
LONDON via SINGAPORE, MALACCA, PENANG, COLOMBO, DUBAI, CAPE TOWN AND TENERIFE	HIRANO MARU, Capt. Fraser, Tons 16,000	SUNDAY, 7th May, at Noon.
	KAGA MARU, Capt. Tsuda, Tons 12,000	THURSDAY, 18th May, at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE via KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, SHIMIZU & YOKOHAMA	KAMAKURA MARU, Capt. Kusano, Tons 12,400	TUESDAY, 16th May, at 4 p.m.
	YOKOHAMA MARU, Capt. Shinobe, Tons 12,300	WEDNESDAY, 7th June, at 4 p.m.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE AND BRISBANE	AKI MARU, Capt. Yoshikawa, Tons 12,500	TUESDAY, 16th May, at 11 a.m.
	TANGO MARU, Capt. Takano, Tons 12,500	TUESDAY, 13th June, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	CEYLON MARU, Capt. Higo, Tons 16,000	SATURDAY, 13th May.
CALCUTTA via SINGAPORE, PENANG & RANGOON	JINSEN MARU, Capt. Ohia, Tons 8,000	SATURDAY, 13th May.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, MALACCA AND COLOMBO	KIRIN MARU, Capt. Sasaki, Tons 8,000	MONDAY, 8th May.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TANGO MARU, Capt. Takano, Tons 12,500	SATURDAY, 13th May, at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KAKO MARU, Capt. Shimizu, Tons 16,000	FRIDAY, 6th May, at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	YETOROFU MARU, Capt. Kogura, Tons 8,500	SATURDAY, 13th May.

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" " " " 1st Return " 245.

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To Yokohama, 1st Return \$120. To Kobe 1st Return \$125.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

JAVAPACIFIC LINE.

THE STEAMSHIP "TAISONDAIR"

having arrived from SAN FRANCISCO.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 8th May, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underinsured on or before the 31st May or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 6th May, by the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JAVAPACIFIC LINE, Managing Agents.

JAVAPACIFIC LINE, York Building.

Hongkong, April 29, 1916.

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TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO via HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS AND SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship

TENYO MARU

The above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside.

Cargo remaining undelivered on THURSDAY, April 27th, will be landed at consignees' risk and expense, and delivery must then be taken from the Company's Godown. Storage charges will be assessed on all Cargo remaining undelivered on 2nd May at 5 p.m.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

No claims will be recognized after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown.

All chafed and otherwise damaged Cargo will be landed into the Godown, where they will be examined on 4th May at 10 a.m.

No Claims will be recognized if filed after the 10th May, 1916.

K. DOI, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, April 26, 1916.

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"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLEBRO, GENOA, COLOMBO & STRAITS.

THE S.S. "MONMOUTHSHIRE" having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Limited, whence and/or from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 2nd May, at 6 p.m. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on 2nd May, at 9.30 a.m. Claims against the steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by in case whatever.

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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, April 26, 1916.

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AMERICAN-ASIATIC S.S. CO.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Steamship

"ROYAL PRINCE"

Captain D. Corlie, having arrived from the above Port, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to

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NOTICE is hereby given that I have
This Day REMOVED my Office
to No. 10, Des Voeux Road Central
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Solicitor.
Hongkong, May 1, 1916.

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Hongkong, May 1, 1916.

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THE Undersigned have received instructions
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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Parcels for Russia via London and
Archangel can now be accepted for trans-
mission.

No parcels except those for Russia,
Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Rumania
can be transmitted via Siberia.

The Services to Germany, Austria,
Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are sus-
pended.

Correspondence addressed to enemy
subjects in China, Siam, Liberia, Portu-
guese East Africa, Persia and Morocco can
not be transmitted.

Ships in communication with Cape
D'Aurora/Radio Telegraph Station—
Japan.

Inward Mails.

Australia, St. Albans, 8th May.

Mails will close for—

PORT BAYARD & HAIPHONG.

Per *Hanoi*, at 1 p.m., on Tuesday, the
2nd May.

SWATOW.

Per *Kienchow*, at 11 a.m., on Tuesday,
the 2nd May.

SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW.

Per *Hainan*, at 1 p.m., on Tuesday, the
2nd May.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Per *Taiwan*, at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, the
2nd May.

SHANGHAI & NORTH CHINA.

Per *Wangow*, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday,
the 2nd May.

STRAITS & INDIA VIA CALCUTTA.

Per *Onawa*, at 2 p.m., on Wednesday,
the 3rd May.

SEATTLE.

Per *Kanaka Maru*, at 5 p.m., on Wed-
nesday, the 3rd May.

SWATOW.

Per *Hai Hong*, at 1 p.m., on Thursday,
the 4th May.

SHANGHAI & NORTH CHINA.

Per *Sinkiang*, Registration at 2.15
p.m. Letters at 3 p.m., on Thurs-
day, the 4th May.

SANDAKAN.

Per *Hainan*, at 11 a.m., on Friday,
the 5th May.

STRAITS, BURMAH, CEYLON, ADE-
LAIDE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA,

INDIA, ADEY, EGYPT & EUROPE.

Per *Zamor*, Registration at 10.15 a.m.
Letters at 11 a.m., on Friday, the
5th May.

The Parcel Mail will be closed on Thurs-
day, the 5th May, at 5 p.m.

STRAITS, INDIA, COLOMBO, DUR-
BAN, CAPE TOWN, CENNERIFFS
& UNITED KINGDOM.

Per *Hainan*, at 9 a.m., on Sun-
day, the 7th May.

SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW.

Per *Hai Hong*, at 1 p.m., on Tuesday,
the 6th May.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Per *Chinow*, at 3 p.m., on Tuesday,
the 6th May.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS AUSTRALIA,
NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &
PORT DARWIN & NEW GUINEA
via THURSDAY ISLAND.

Per *Taiwan*, Registration at 10.15 a.m.
Letters at 11 a.m., on Saturday,
the 6th May.

* Superscribed correspondences only.

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, May 1, 1916.

On London—

Bank Wire

On demand

30 days sight

4 months sight

Credit, 4 months sight

Documentary, 4 months sight

On Paris—

On demand

Credit, 4 months sight

On New York—

On demand

Credit, 60 days sight

On Bombay—

Wire

On demand

On Calcutta—

Wire

On demand

On Singapore—

On demand

On Manila—

On demand

On Shanghai—

On demand

On Yokohama—

On demand

Gold Leaf 100 (per two)

Sovereigns (Bank of England)

Silver (per oz)

Bar Silver in Hongkong

Chinese Copper Cash

Chinese Copper Cents

Rate of Native Interest

Chinese 800 Cols

Hongkong Sub. Cols

If you have low year appetite, one of
the big variety of daily dishes at the
ALEXANDRA CAFE is sure to tempt
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SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

Dum. Maru, Japanese steamer, S. Mori,
Mojit April 24 (Cable)—O. S. S. S.
Kishio Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,889,
Kubota, Mito April 23, Coal.—M. B. K.
Yi Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,599, S.
Hayashi, Chingwang April 22, Coal.—
Dorward & Co. Ltd.

April 28.

Shikoku, British steamer, 1,014, J. R.
Owen, Shanghai April 27, General.—
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Hobson, British steamer, 1,180, J. S.
Thompson, Swatow April 26, General.—
DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO. LTD.

Selous, British steamer, 6,684, D. Macleod,
Shanghai April 27, General.—BUTTER-
FIELD & SWIRE.

Kwangshai, Chinese steamer, 1,500, C.
Stewart, Shanghai April 26, General.—
C. M. S. N. Co.

Tsuen Maru, No. 1, Japanese steamer,
2,000, Hakokogawa, Hongkong April 28,
Coal.—M. B. K.

Kyoh, Norwegian steamer, 910, Helleso,
Bangkok, Rice.—THORSEN & CO.

Chien, Chinese steamer, 628, W. Sinclair,
Saigon April 28, Rice.—THORSEN & CO.

Taiwan, British steamer, 1,500, P. W.
Gieseler, Melbourne March 31, and Thurs-
day Island April 17, General.—BUTTER-
FIELD & SWIRE.

Chao Chou, British steamer, 1,185, John
de Wolf, Bangkok April 20, Rice and
Timber.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Manapouri, British steamer, 1,288, Jamieson,
Saigon April 26, Rice.—E. H. RAY.

Haidou, British steamer, from Canton.

May 1.

Kochi Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,975,
O. Murakami, Mito April 26, Coal.—
M. B. K.

Katsu Maru, Japanese steamer, 2,001, T.
Kashi, Mito April 26, Coal.—FURUKAWA
& CO.

Tsutsu Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,983,
Fujimoto, Dairen April 25, General.

Rappeen, Dutch steamer, 2,008, E. van der
Wyck, Saigon April 24, Rice.—J. A. V.
CHINA-JAPANESE LINE.

Anhui, British steamer, from Canton.

DEPARTURES.

April 28.

Japan, for Singapore and Calcutta.

Royal Prince, for Vladivostok.

Forster, for Wuhu.

Kyoh Maru, for Swatow and Tamsui.

Depart, for Saigon.

Colombo Maru, for Singapore & Bombay.

Hobson, for Bangkok.

Dunlop, for Bangkok.

Hongkong, for Amoy and Singapore.

Yi Maru, for Canton.

Kishio Maru, for Swatow.

Haidou, for Tientsin.

Chien, for Shanghai.

Selous, for Singapore and New
York.

Yi Maru, for Kobe.

Amoy Maru, for Taipei.

Forster, for